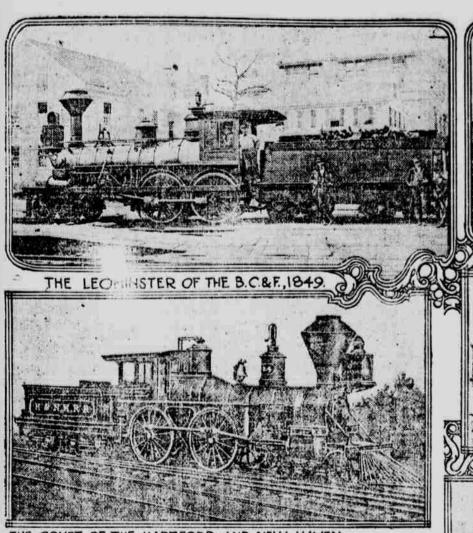
## STEPS IN TRANSPORTATION'S PROGRESS

The Evolution of the Locomotive From the Pygmies of the Past to the Giants of the Present-What Becomes of Old Locomotives and Railway Cars and Those That Have Outlived Their Usefulness?



emphasized in no better way and South Framingham. . than by a comparison of the large and The Washington, Built by Griggs, 1854. powerful steam and electric locomotives used by the New Haven today with some of their prototypes of some ington of the Boston and Providence. of the old New England ratiroads This engine was built in the Roxbury which now form part of the New Ha-shops of the company by G. S. Griggs,

Comparing these pygmies of the past tury and presents one of the chief reatheir successive types, are like steps in diameter. the ladder of national progress.

Some Historic Railroads.

The development of the locomotive is placed below the smoke box. indissolubly linked with the history of these railroads.

The Earliest Locomotives.

the old Hartford and New Haven in 1841, and the latest Pacific type engines used to haul the New Haven's fast passenger trains there is little resemblance. Yet in these curious contrivances, spouting smoke from their tall smokestacks and at first barely beating out the horse, is seen the germ of the idea now embodied in all its completeness of detail in the engines of today. It remained for mechanical genius to perfect this idea in order to make the transportation industry the great instrument of commerce and social intercourse that it has now be-

The Governor Bradford, 1844. Representing a considerable advance

ver the very early types of loconotives is the Governor Bradford. which was once familiar to patrons of the Old Colony. Here the locomotive was actually beginning to take shape. Built by the old Boston firm of Hinck ey & Drury in 1844, this engine weigh ed fourteen and a half tons. Its cylinders were 12 by 20 inches, and its single drivers had a diameter of five feet. in 1885 this old engine, rebuilt and modernized to some extent, was still Boston yards.

The Uncle Tom, 1844.

contemporary of the Governor Bradford and of the same type was the Uncle Tom, used at one time on the Boston, Clinton and Fitchburg. now merged in the New Haven system. Built some time in the forties. this curious engine for years hauled a local passenger train consisting of two cars between Fitchburg and Sterling. Mass. Like all early engines, it burned wood and for the purpose of letting off steam had a tail pipe close to the ab. But the feature of this engine which attracted attention through the countryside was the figure of the little darky, Uncle Tom, mounted in front and used as a flag holder. This engine had four foot drivers.

The Leominster of the B., B. and F.

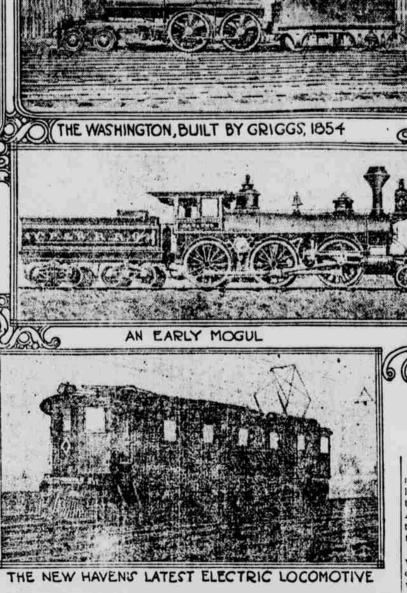
Appearing only five years after the the same builders, the Leominster, also sity. bears interesting testimony to the rapidity with which the evolution of the

HE progress of transportation in | tons, had cylinders 16 by 20 in hes and this country and its present four and one-half foot drivers. For high state of efficiency can be many years it ran between Fitchburg

An engine of a somewhat different type and of later design was the Washven's system in southern New Eng- the road's master mechanic, who turned out many famous engines. This locomotive was constructed in 1854 and with the giant locomotives of today for years made fast time over the line brings to the mind at once the enor- between Boston and Providence, now mous strides made by rail transporta- traveled by the New Haven's big Pation in the last three-quarters of a cen- cifics and its limited trains. The Washington weighed twenty-four and threesons for the country's growth in this quarter tons, its cylinders were 15 by period. These locomotives, seen in 20 and its driving wheels five feet in The Comet of the Hartford and New

Like many engines of this period, the Washington was what is known as "an style engine of the sixtles was the en-Many types of locomotives have been inside connected engine," its main rods gine Comet of the Hartford and New Pacific type engines, known as the world's end. seen on the New Haven's lines, types being between the frames and working Haven, possessing among its features 1300 series, the embodiment of power representing every stage of the locomo- on a cranked axle joining the main two domes, one for the whistle and one and efficiency and capable of tremen. ive's marvelous evolution, and this is driving wheels. This type is still fol- for the safety valve, and having its dous speed if required. because the New Haven is made up of lowed by English engine builders. It sand boxes curiously concealed in the more of the original railroads of this was discarded years ago by American wheel covers. country than any other large system. builders. In this type the cylinders are

The Roger Williams, 1846.

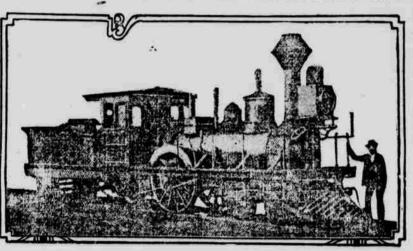


comotives of that period. This engine White Ghost passenger train on the weighed 50,360 pounds, had 14 by 22 New England between Boston and Wilinch cylinders and four and one-half limantic and was the first large Mogul foot drivers. It made over fifty miles seen in New England. In 1890 it was an hour at times. sold to the Housatonic road and there-

Haven.

Fairly representative of the American

The New Haven Engine of 1879. Marking the transition stage from lo- locomotives of the early eighties, recomotives of the Governor Bradford vealing, as compared with its proto- instead of being sixty inches in di-Between the very early locomotives, type and those of a later period was types, a great increase in weight and in ameter, are seventy-three inches, and such as that seen hauling a train on the Roger Williams. This locomotive the size of the driving wheels. This lo-



THE ROGER WILLIAMS, 1846.

rebuilt and enlarged in 1846. It then shops in 1879 and weighed 75,200 cylinders and five foot drivers. To this three inches in diameter. It was conlocomotive fell the honor of pulling the demned about 1897. first passenger train from Providence doing duty as a switch engine in the to Stonington in 1873 on the road, the New York, Providence and Boston which now forms part of the New Haven's shore line.

The Daniel Nason, 1858.

The Daniel Nason, for many years one of the most famous engines of the Boston and Providence, was another reation of Master Mechanic Griggs This engine was built in the Roxbury shops in 1858, weighed twenty-five an bree-quarter tons and had cylinders measuring 16 by 20 inches and four and one-half foot drivers. A conspicuous feature of these engines was he running board, with its guard rails chiefly to permit the fireman to crawi forward while the locomotive was run ning and subricate the cylinders and valves. Locomotives of this type frequently attained a speed of sixty miles an hour. This locomotive continued in service until 1889. It was exhibited at the World's fair at Chicago and is Governor Bradford and the product of now in the museum at Purdue univer-

of the Boston, Clinton and Fitchburg. The Mohegan of the N. and W., 1859. Engine No. 9 of the old Norwich and sented in the Capitol of the old Worcester road, now one of the New ocomotive was proceeding in those Haven's leased lines, was a type very also in engine 160 of the New York years and reveals the constant study common half a century ago and of and New England. The latter was the early designers were making of the which numbers are yet to be seen, built at Providence in 1888 and weighproblems of increasing the power. This locomotive, the Mohegan, was ed 127,000 pounds. Its cylinders were weight and speed of their creations. purchased of Samuel Hatch in 1859. 20 by 24 and drivers sixty-eight inches.

weighed twelve tons, had 13 by 16 inch pounds. Its driving wheels were sixty-

One of the Early Consols, 1880.

Size and power became increasingly evident in the locomotives turned out for these New England roads in the eighties, as shown, for example, in the consolidation engine No. 94 of the New York and New England. This type appears but a few steps behind the present. Built at the Hinckley works in Boston in 1880, the big locomotive reveals the great strides made by the builders of the Governor Bradford in the decades that had intervened.

Without the tender this engine weighed sixty tons. It had 22 by 22 inch cylinders and forty-four inch driv ers. It was one of the biggest engines seen east of the Hudson and for years was used in the freight service between Hartford and Hopewell June tion. Big as this engine appears in comparison with the early ones, it would take about four such engines to The maximum tractive force they can equal the efficiency of the New Haven's largest engines of today.

Two Early Mogule. The Mogul type of engine is repre Providence and Worcester road and

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after was used in the freight service.

The New Haven's Giants of Today.

Dwarfing even these large locomo-

tives, however, are the New Haven's

half tons of the Governor Bradford, these leviathans of the rail weigh 154,-The Hercules of the New Haven road | 000 pounds on the drivers and have a is more or less typical likewise of the total weight of 251,500 pounds (384,100 pounds, including tanks). The drivers, was built in Lowell, Mass., and was comotive was built in the New Haven's The 12 by 20 inch cylinders of the Governor Bradford have grown into cylinders measuring 24 by 28 inches, and a further metamorphosis has been wrought in the addition of the superheater device by which steam is heated to a very high temperature, which adds 25 per cent to the power and fuel economy of the locomotive. These locomotives exert a tractive force of 37,600 pounds.

> The New Haven's Latest Electric Locomotive.

Typical of the new chapter of trans portation history which the progress of electrical science has brought about are the New Haven's latest electric locomotives used in hauling passenger and freight trains in its electric zone between New York and New Haven Differing radically in appearance from the latest steam leviathans, these electric locomotives have little about them to suggest the tremendous tractive force of which they are capable. "A hox on wheels" they might be called. Ico they are used by mining companies, tracks of the company over 600,000 an 800 ton passenger train at a maxi- ning to the government roads. mum speed of fifty-five miles an hour. trains at a maximum speed of thirty-

five miles an hour. But more than this these electric motors can do. Unlike the steam locomo. tive, it is possible to hitch two together and operate them with one crew as n single unit on what is called the multiple unit plan, thus doubling the power. Thus two of these locomotives operated by one crew will haul a 1,600 ton pas senger train at fifty-five miles an hour and a 3,000 ton freight train at thirtyfive miles an hour.

Freight trains of this size, 3,000 ton being the trailing load, are, in fact, operated daily between the New Haven's Harlem river terminal and New

These electric locomotives weigh 110 tons, 80 per cent of this weight being directly on the four pairs of drivers. exert is 40,000 pounds, 13,000 pounds continuously. In this type of motor the current, having 11,000 volts, passes from the trolley wire through the pantagraph and by means of transformers inside the cab is reduced to 600 volts and is then delivered to the motors. There are eight of these in all, arranged in four groups. These locomotives were built under the combined This locomotive weighed twenty four It cost \$5,000, an average price for lo- This locomotive hauled the famous Electric and Manufacturing company, the United States had 245,894 miles of ven railroad. The stockholders of the phia Ledger.

Secondhand Engines and Cars. asks, "What becomes of all the old miles of railway. locomotives and railway cars and those

that have outlived their usefulness?" freight and passenger car equipment States during 1914 was thirty-four And the paper replies: "They are sold of the present day with that of the miles, which compares with an average the market for them is worldwide.

tramp steamer loading at a New York and about three-quarters of the pas- per cent. dock has a consignment of hundreds of senger cars have been purchased since tons of railway cargo stowed in its 1900. An estimate of the cost of rail-hold to be unloaded at some port at the way equipment now in use by rail-their weight increased 231.6 per cent.

was changed from steam to electricity average capacity was 38.9 tons and there was sent out one of the largest the total capacity 89.784.883 tens. lots of secondhand rallway material More freight can be carried in one of in 1894, an increase of 56.1 per cent. ever put on the market-340 engines the modern freight cars than was and 134 cars. So Americans traveling hauled in a freight train of twelve in strange places frequently encounter cars in the early days of railroading. these old elevated engines. Some are in Some idea of the growth of railroads tered all over South America. In Mex- New Haven railroad. There are in the

rallway, while Europe, with a popula- country have increased in number in The Independent of June 21, 1915, tion of 455,547,673, reported but 212,641, ten years 146,7 per cat.

THE NEW HAVEN'S GIANTS OF TODAY

to small roads and to contractors, and early railroad period. While today the journey of 26.54 miles in 1894, or an inequipment of practically all railroads crease of 28.1 per cent. Each train car-"When some one in India or Africa of the country is more or less stand ried in 1914 an average of fifty-nine wishes to build and equip a railway ardized, in the early days of railroad passengers, compared with forty-four cheaply and quickly he communicates building passenger cars in particular in 1894. There were 1,032,086,000 pas-

It would be impossible to compare ger on the railro is of the United

THE "MOHEGAN" OF THE N & W. 1859

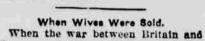
with an agent in New York, and the were of any design that appealed to sengers carried on these railroads in rest is easy. There are a number of the maker. In other instances old 1914 and 540,688,000 in 1894, an indealers in secondhand railway equip-ment in this country. The advertise-ent equipment of the railroads of 35,129,269,000 passengers carried one ments of their stock appear in the trade the United States is practically all mile in 1914 as compared with 14,289. journals. Negotiations are concluded modern. About four-fifths of the loco- 445,000 passengers carried one mile quickly, and it is not long before a big motives and freight cars now in use twenty years ago, an increase of 145.9

The average jour ey of each passen-

The number of locomotives in twenworld's end. ways representing 245,624 miles is The number of employees increased in "When, some years ago, the motive placed at \$3.573,689,300. Of the 2,304, the same period 117.9 per cent, and There were 691 employees pe hundred miles of line in 1914 and 444

The present efficiency of American railroads and the low cost of the serv. ice may be seen from a comparison of the rates charged for hauling one ton Africa, some in India; they are scat- may be gleaned from statistics of the of freight one mile. In the United Kingdom this service costs 2.39 cents. in Germany, 1.37 cents, France 1.30 cents, Russia 1.17 cents, Austria 1.45 cents, while in the United States this service is performed for 7.29 mills, or \$0.00729.

As the people of the United States were the first to grasp the true significance of the discovery that steam could be utilized as a motive power, so they have been first in every stage of railroad development. No European country can boast of such efficient railroad service as that which is performed by the railroads of the United States nor of such low cost of operation. In threequarters of a century the railroad managers of the country have taken a crude contrivance-the original locomotive-and have constructed out of that idea an efficient machine that is beyond comparison.

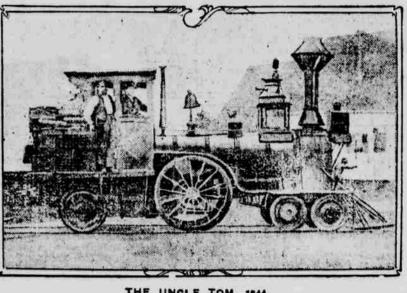


France ended in 1815 many of the English soldiers found that their wives had married again in the belief that they were widows. The formal sell-000 more tons than in all the battle- the ignorant as a legal solution to the problem thus presented, and it is said that the authorities of the day deemed it best to shut their eyes at the proceeding. A certain amount of formal ity had to be observed, however, before the sale was considered legal even by the most ignorant. A Yorkshire writer mentions two conditions which must be carried out to make a sat isfactory sale-the price of the wife must not be less than 1 shilling (24 cents), and she must be delivered to her purchaser with a new halter around her neck. The same writer records the case of the woman who zealously preserved the receipts for her self as a proof of respectability.

Granada was at one time part of the Roman province of Roctia, but after the Arab invasion it became an independent Moorish kingdom It was the last possession of the Moors in Spain

Not Aloud. "Oh, dear," grouned the young wife. bread! I've tried everything."

"A derrick and a couple of jackscrews direction of the engineering forces of ing of railways, for with a census esti- American railroad stock, of whom 26,- ought to do it," thought her husband, the New Haven and the Westinghouse mated population in 1914 of 98,900,081 675 are stockholders of the New Ha- but he didn't say it aloud .- Philadel-



Yet these electric locomotives will haul that have their own branch lines run- tons of steel in the rails, which is 70,- ing of the wife was regarded among

They will handle 1,500 ton freight started off for Manchuria at the time ernment. There are 2,223 bridgesof the war with Russia, many of the thirty-one miles of bridges. The numnosed engines with the word 'Manhat- cars 2,500, locomotives 1,300. The these engines were used on the Mukden | 000 miles, while the passenger cars railroad in the war.

"Cars and engines that have been tire, although there is a good demand more tenaciously to its cars than to its employees' share amounted to 62.51 per

Present Rallway Efficiency.

track. In this respect the United States country. has far outstripped Europe in the build-

"In Japan, when the emperor's troops ships owned by the United States govtroop trains were hauled by these small ber of freight cars is 37,000, passenger tan' still painted on them. Some of freight cars run every day over 673,run 10,000 miles an hour. There are "These tiny locomotives cost \$5,000 952 stations and about 36,000 employaplece when new; secondhand they ees, receiving over \$33,000,000 a year fetched from \$2,600 down. The cars in wages. About 500,000 persons are were sold at from \$400 to \$600 each. served every day by this one railroad. In 1914 there were 1.698,818 employused on steam railroads of standard ees on the railroads of the United gauge bring much higher prices. Prac. States, who received compensation tically no freight cars are shipped en amounting to \$1.373.069.811, or 45.15 per cent of the gross earnings. In other for passenger cars. The consumption words, of every dollar taken in by the of these castoffs of the big railroads is railroads the employees get a little over mostly among the logging roads of the 45 cents. Of all money paid out by the country. The railroad, as a rule, clings railroads for operating expenses the cent.

The capital cost of the ratironds of With the development of the locomo- the country is \$15.531.631.376, or \$64.tive the progress in other departments 479 per mile, which compares with a who tearfully gave up their country to of railroad transportation has naturally capital cost of European railroads of their conquerors. Ferdinand and Isa kept pace. While in 1840 there were about \$25,000,000,000, or \$124,000 per bella of Spain, in 1492. but 42614 miles of completed railroad in mile. It cost nearly twice as much to the New England states, in 1914 there build the European railroads as it did were 7,822 single track miles in this to build those in the United States, desection and 13,628 fotal miles of all spite the higher cost of labor in this "I don't know what to use to raise my

There are 876,897 stockholders of